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REMARKS

As discussed with Examiner Zitomer, the Applicants propose herein to correct the lineage of this application as recited in the first two paragraphs of the specification by deleting reference to the two pre-December 6, 1990 filings. The deleted earlier filings have not been relied upon by the Applicants for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and the references thereto in the original declaration are hereby disclaimed.

The above amendment raises no new issues and entry thereof is requested. The amendments to the specification are highlighted in the attached Appendix.

An Application Data Sheet pursuant to Rule 76 is being submitted herewith in the event this facilitates the Applicants' amendment as to priority benefit.

Also submitted herewith is a Change of Correspondence Address form for the undersigned associate attorney of record.

This amendment is being timely filed concurrently with payment of the issue fee.

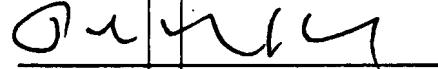
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If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this amendment, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX
MARKED-UP VERSION OF THE SPECIFICATION

-- This is a continuation of Appln. No. 09/362,089, filed July 28, 1998, pending; which is a divisional of Appln. No. 09/056,927, filed April 8, 1998, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,197,506; which is a continuation of Appln. No. 08/670,118, filed June 25, 1996, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,800,992; which is a divisional of Appln. No. 08/168,904, filed December 15, 1993, now abandoned; which is a continuation of Appln. No. 07/624,114, filed December 6, 1990, now abandoned; ~~which is a continuation-in-part of commonly assigned Appln. No. 07/492,462, filed March 7, 1990, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,143,854; and Appln. No. 07/362,901, filed June 7, 1989, now abandoned; each of which is hereby incorporated by reference.~~

Additional commonly assigned Appln. No. 07/492,462, filed March 7, 1990, now U.S. Pat. No. 5,143,854; Appln. No. 07/362,901, filed June 7, 1989, now abandoned; Appln. Nos. 07/624,120 and 07/626,730, both of which were filed on December 6, 1990; Appln. No. 07/435,316, filed November 13, 1989, now abandoned; and U.S. Pat. No. 5,252,743 are also hereby incorporated herein by reference.--